

CAMPUS MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY LISTING

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Position: Transitional Ministry Leader
PCUSA Campus Ministry / Christian Student Center

Location: Western Carolina University – Cullowhee, NC

Need: Immediate. We hope to have our leadership in place no later than June 2015.

The Presbytery of Western North Carolina is excited to announce the formation of a new campus ministry and Christian student center on the campus of Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina. WCU, presently serving over 10,000 full-time undergraduate and post graduate students, is the westernmost of the sixteen four-year universities in the UNC system.

The Ministry Board is searching for **an entrepreneurial, enthusiastic, spirit-filled leader to grow and guide the ministry through an initial start-up period.**

Qualifications & Qualities

- A true sense of call to campus ministry and a desire to work with college-age young adults.
- Campus ministry leadership and/or related experience. This experience may reflect full-time, part-time, or internship involvement.
- A person of mature Christian faith who can shape opportunities for worship, Bible study, and spiritual nurture in the Reformed tradition on campus.
- An ability and desire to welcome and mentor all WCU students, while witnessing to the love and power of God in Jesus Christ.
- An organized, flexible, self-starter capable of working independently, without daily supervision, while remaining focused on the vision and goals of the ministry.
- An ability to design, implement and evaluate programming.
- A willingness to nurture a working cooperation with faculty, staff, and existing university programs to promote faith development in students.
- Holding a progressive vision for, and enthusiastic commitment to, the importance of campus ministry. Did we mention being called?!
- Strong verbal presentation and writing skills, combined with a reasonable aptitude for communicating through social media.
- Seminary or related formal education is preferable.

Responsibilities

- To implement the primary mission of the ministry, by developing and nurturing a supportive community, where all students can feel welcomed, safe and comfortable exploring questions of faith, vocation and social justice. A Christian sanctuary within the madness of everyday college life.
- To engage in mentoring, coaching, and spiritual development of students. To lead by example.
- To develop opportunities for worship, Christian education and fellowship.
- To plan and participate in community/campus outreach programs.

- To develop cooperative relationships with other WCU campus ministries, and be a friend in ministry to others in leadership.
- To participate in the life of the WCU campus, whenever possible, with a goal of expanding awareness of and student participation in the ministry.
- To develop and coordinate an effective use of the student center facilities, which may include the operation of a full-blown coffeehouse on the lower level.
- To keep office hours to be available to students, either by appointment or drop-in.
- To meet regularly with the campus ministry board, which will include goal setting, written and oral reporting, discussion and evaluation of current activities, and the exploration of new ideas.
- To work with the ministry board on the management of the ministry's financial resources, and to contribute to efforts to secure additional financial support.
- To work with the ministry board to develop and maintain strong ties to the Presbytery of WNC, local congregations, and the PCUSA collegiate ministries program.

What we offer

- An enthusiastic governing board, with committed support from the Presbytery of WNC, and the leadership of the PCUSA collegiate ministries program. The board will be available for regular meetings and will strive to provide any and all resources, reasonably available to support the ministry.
- A nearly ideal facility situated in the center of campus and readily accessible to students. The larger setting is the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains of Western NC, where natural beauty and recreational opportunities abound.
- A contracted position for a period of 1 to 2 years, as we work together to bring life to the vision for the ministry.
- A position which meets the requirements for ordination, with the Presbytery of WNC, if desired.
- A commitment to the physical and spiritual health of the ministry leadership, by supporting intentional time off, spiritual and professional development, and by providing a healthy support system through the board and local church pastors.
- An annual schedule, tied to the university calendar.
- A salary, insurance benefits and housing allowance package will be based on ministry budgets and applicant experience. An anticipated range will be \$35,000 to \$45,000 annually.

How to apply

- Send a letter of interest and resume to:

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 C/O Mark Hanna
 334 Black Hill Road
 Bryson City, NC 28713

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 704-564-4865 cell

- Please include 3-4 references who can speak to your qualifications, with their contact information.

If joining us on this adventure appeals to you, we look forward to hearing from you!